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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An adsorbent purification of automobile exhaust gas, comprising a high-silica zeolite having a Si/Al ratio of not less than 40.

2. The adsorbent of claim 1, wherein a catalyst component is supported on said adsorbent.

3. An adsbrbent structure comprising:

a honeycomb structure having a periphery and two ends, including a plurality of passages which are defined by partition walls and extend in an axial direction between the ends; and

a composition including a zeolite coated on the partition walks.

4. The adsorbent structure of claim 3 wherein the zeolite is a high-silica zeolite having a Si/Al ratio of not less than 40.

5. The adsorbent structure of claim wherein the composition comprises a mixture of (a) zeolite and (b) a (heat-resistant oxide loaded with a noble metal.

6. The adsorbent structure of claim 3 wherein the composition comprises a mixture of (a) zeolite loaded with a noble metal and (b) a heat-resistant oxide loaded with a noble metal.

The adsorbent structure of claim 3, wherein the composition includes a first layer comprising (a) zeolite, and a second layer comprising (b) a heat-resistant which loaded with a noble metal.

8. The adsorbent structure of claim 3 wherein the composition includes a first layer comprising (a) zeolite loaded with noble metal, and a second layer comprising (b) heat-resistant oxide loaded with a noble metal.

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